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### IN VACATION.

An old church in Belgium decided to repair its properties, and employed an artist to touch up a large painting. Upon presenting his bill the committee in charge refused payment unless the details were specified, whereupon he presented the items as follows:

#### ITEMS:

To correcting the ten Commandments.....	\$5.12
Embellishing Pontius Pilate and putting new ribbons on his hat..	3.02
Putting new tail on the rooster of St. Peter and mending his comb..	2.20
Re-pluming and gilding left wing of Guardian Angel.....	5.18
Washing the servant of the High Priest and putting carmine on his cheeks.....	5.02
Renewing Heaven, adjusting the stars and cleaning up the moon..	7.14
Touching up Purgatory and restoring lost souls.....	3.06
Brightening up the flames of Hell, putting new tail on the Devil mending his left hoof, and doing several odd jobs for the damned.....	7.17
Re-bordering the robes of Herod and adjusting his wig.....	4.00
Taking the spots off the Son of Tobias.....	1.30
Cleaning Balaam's Ass and putting one shoe on him.....	1.70
Putting ear-rings in Sarah's ears.....	1.71
Putting new stone in David's sling, enlarging the head of Goliath and extending Saul's leg.....	6.13
Decorating Noah's ark and putting a head on Shem.....	4.31
Mending the shirt of the Prodigal Son and cleaning his ear.....	3.39
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### Articles of Association of the Joy Company, Unlimited.

Williams Allen Wood, of the Indianapolis Bar, in Life.

Article I. Name.—The name of this association shall be The Joy Company, Unlimited.

Article II. Object.—The object of this association, in furtherance of the rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness and in the interest of good comradeship, is to promote the use of the easy chair, the stein, the soothing weed, and the story; by means of crackling logs in a broad fireplace, to incite to the geniality that knits closer the group of hearty talkers and contented listeners; to induce boisterous laughter, merry songs, lusty choruses, and strange, brave and romantic stories, to journey in the world of imagination and, though there be snow and storm outside, to wander in green forests, to gather the blossoms of the peach and hawthorn, to breathe the perfume of scented shrubs, to hear the night birds sing, the streamlets

purl, the far-off harmony of piano and voice, to gaze on stars as thick as leaves of Vallombrosa, to have fond sweethearts, and to enjoy the lunarian rights and privileges of an Italian night in June; to enjoy all these rights and privileges in their seasons, to use such nick-names, terms of affection, handclasps and caresses as will promote good feeling and show the love and regard in which companions are held; to give words of praise and encouragement to one another, to assist one another in every way possible not inconsistent with our mutual strength and our personal sense of justice and to foster one another's confidence in the strength of manhood and one another's hope of living up to high ideals and attaining high accomplishments; to preserve pleasant memories—the swimming pools and sand banks of our youth, the coasting hill of winter days, the Crusoes and Alices of Wonderland that whiled away our evenings, the games of ball and the athletic contests, the riding, hunting and fishing parties, the luring dances, the lyric thrills of first love, the poets that expressed for us the bright and happy colors of life and the beauties of crowded hours, and all those caressing or inspiring memories of larger experiences, deeper emotions, more vivid passions and more intellectual avocations that make life rich, colorful and epic in our maturity; to do all these things, and to do them before the world, so as to invite competition on the part of all mankind, that the profits of this association may be cumulative and perpetual.

Article III. Home Office.—The home office of this association shall be any place where there are a sufficient number of good fellows, two or more, to create warmth and delight by their presence.

Article IV. Capital Stock.—The capital stock of this association shall be unlimited, but an amount necessary to create an atmosphere of good cheer shall be sufficient for working capital, and shall be contributed by the members in such ways and proportions as they may see fit—provided the total is always enough to keep the association alive—and the profits shall be distributed according to each member's capacity to contribute and enjoy. All surplus profits shall be turned over to the world at large.

Article V. Seal.—The seal of this association shall consist of the expression of faith and love, showing through a cordial smile, and shall be used whenever it is necessary to validate any of the acts of this association or of any of its members.—Cent. Law Journal.